



Docket No.: OGW-0373

(PATENT)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Mitsuru Naito et al.

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Art Unit: 1733

For: TIRE/WHEEL ASSEMBLY AND RUN-FLAT

Examiner: J. R. Fischer

**SUPPORT MEMBER** 

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement made in the Office Action mailed on November 8, 2006.

The Applicant, through its representatives and attorneys, hereby <u>provisionally elects</u>, <u>without traverse</u>, the invention of the alleged <u>Group I</u>, having claims <u>1-6 and 12-17</u>.

Applicant reserves the right to file the features of the remaining alleged Group II within a divisional application.

An early Action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone Brian K. Dutton, Reg. No. 47,255, at 202-955-8753.

Application No. 10/541,843 Amendment dated December 4, 2006 Reply to Office Action of November 8, 2006 Docket No.: OGW-0373

If any fee is required or any overpayment made, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee or credit the overpayment to Deposit Account # 18-0013.

Dated: December 4, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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